

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-11, and 13 have been amended. Claims 4, 12, and 14 are allowed. Claims 1-14 are pending and under consideration.

I. Claim Objections

In the Office Action, at pages 2-5, claims 1-3, 5-11, and 13 were objected to due to various informalities. Claims 1-3, 5-11, and 13 have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. Accordingly, withdrawal of these objections is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections and in view of the fact that that prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.


If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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